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TAGS: PORG, UN, FI, SF

SUBJECT: UNGA VOTE TO EXCLUDE SOUTH AFRICA

1. FINNISH FOREIGN MINISTRY IS CONCERNED OVER VIGOROUS CRITICISM FROM RADICAL PRESS OVER FINNISH VOTE TO OPPOSE EXCLUSION OF SOUTH AFRICA IN UNGA. SENIOR MINISTRY SPOKESMAN EXPLAINED TO PRESS CONFERENCE YESTERDAY THAT FINLAND'S VOTE BASED ON PRINCIPLES OF UN CHARTER AND STATED THAT FINNISH GOVERNMENT OPPOSITION TO APARTHEID REMAINS UNCHANGED. SPOKESMAN DIFFERENTIATED CURRENT VOTE FROM EARLIER VOTE REJECTING CREDENTIALS (ON WHICH FINLAND VOTED WITH MAJORITY AND WAS SUBJECT OF MUCH FAVORABLE PUBLICITY IN LEFT-WING PRESS).

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FINLAND'S TRADITION OF SCRUPULOUS APPLICATION OF

UN CHARTER, ARE WORRIED THAT GOVERNMENT MAY ABANDON  
SUCH PRINCIPLED STANDS IN FUTURE UN VOTES FOR  
DOMESTIC POLITICAL GAIN. ALTHOUGH WE DO NOT EX-  
PECT SUCH ACTION IN IMMEDIATE FUTURE SITUATION  
BEARS WATCHING AND MUCH WILL DEPEND ON  
INTENSITY OF CRITICISM AND COURSE OF DOMESTIC  
POLITICS.  
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